

REMARKS

Applicant will address each of the Examiner's rejections in the order in which they appear in the Office Action.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §103

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 1, 2, 7, 12-23, 36, 41-43, 48 and 49 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Miyazaki et al. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In order to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicant has amended independent Claims 1, 2, 15, 18, 21, 36, and 43 to recite the details of the TFT structures in the claimed display device. These details are shown, for example, in Fig. 12 of the present application.

Such details are not disclosed or suggested by Miyazaki. Accordingly, the independent claims of the present application are patentable over this reference, and it is respectfully requested that this rejection now be withdrawn.

The Examiner also rejects dependent Claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 24, 25, 28, 29, 32, 33, 37, 38, 44 and 45 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Miyazaki et al. in view of Yamazaki et al. '183. The Examiner further rejects dependent Claims 5, 10, 26, 30, 34, 39 and 46 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Miyazaki et al. in view of Negishi et al. Finally, the Examiner rejects dependent Claims 6, 11, 27, 31, 35, 40 and 47 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Miyazaki et al. in view of Braun et al. These rejections are also respectfully traversed.

For at least the reasons discussed above for the independent claims, these dependent claims are also patentable over the cited references. Accordingly, it is requested that these rejections now be withdrawn.

Therefore, Applicant has now overcome each of the §103 rejections, and it is respectfully requested that they now be withdrawn.

Drawings

Applicant has noticed minor errors in Figs. 10A and 10B. Applicant is correcting those errors herein and will submit a formal drawing with the corrections in the near future.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant is submitting a IDS herewith. It is respectfully requested that this IDS be considered prior to the entry of any further action in this application.

Conclusion


Applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

If any fee is due for this amendment, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Fig.10A

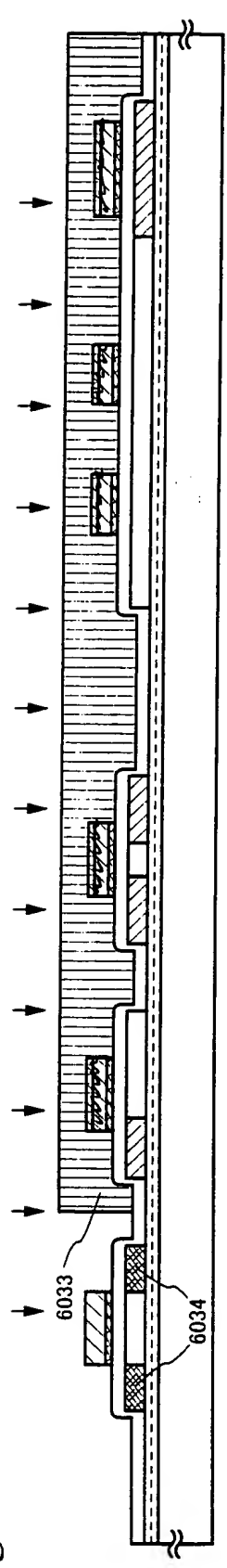


Fig.10B

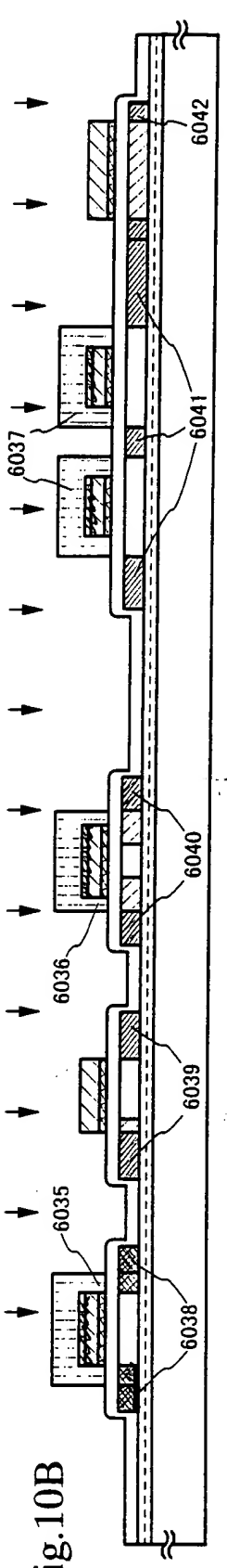


Fig.10C

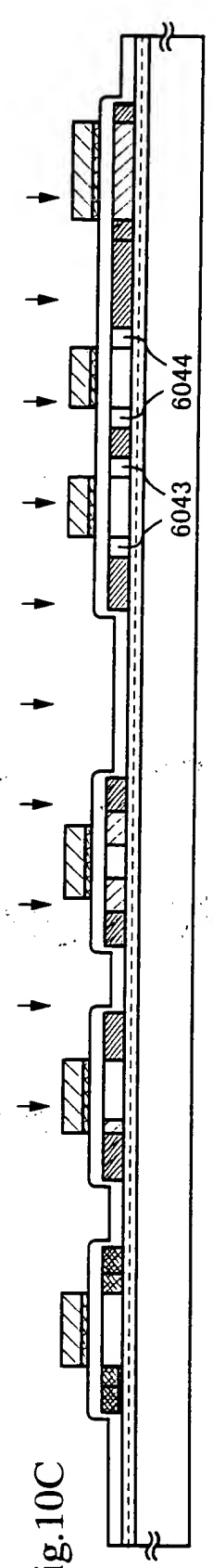


Fig.10D

